(b) if so, in which specific areas and subjects, the need for such upgradation was observed; and

(c) the steps Governments propose to take to update the NCERT text books?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION) (DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI): (a) to (c) The Executive Committee of the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) in its meeting held on 19th July, 1995 desired that NCERT should update the curriculum and teaching/ learning material of the course in computer education every year in order to keep pace with the latest developments. The Council proposes to update textual/learning material in computer education on receiving feedback from the users.

Loss of Production due to non-Supply of Natural Gas to Namrup Units of HFC

1222. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:
SHRI NILOTPAL BASU:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the production loss suffered by Namrup unit during 1994-95 and in six months from April to September, 1995 due to inadequate supply of Natural Gas;

(b) whether OIL and ONGC are making fresh commitment to supply gas to other industrial units/companies while failing to augment the gas supply to HFC, Namrup; and

(c) the remedial action taken by the ministry to ensure requisite amount of gas to Namrup unit?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAM LAKHAN SINGH YADAV): (a) It has been estimated by HFC that there was a production loss of 4.7 lakh tonnes of urea in the Namrup units of HFC during 1994-95 and April-September, 1995 due to limitation in supply of natural gas.

(b) ONGC and OIL are supplying gas only to units which have been allocated gas by the Government.

(c) The supply to HFCL is being increased in the short term by connecting up sources of low pressure gas. OIL is examining the proposals to develop its free gas reserves.

Review of National Literacy Mission

1223. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:
SHRI VIREN J. SHAH:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have reviewed the functioning of the National Literacy Mission in the country (State-wise);

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) whether there are any villages in Maharastra and Gujarat which do not have primary schools;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(e) the details of central assistance given to these States during each of the last three years to set up primary schools in such villages?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. Of EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) and (b) The functioning of the Literacy Programmes in various States, sanctioned by the National Literacy Mission, is reviewed regularly and is a continuing process.

(c) and (d) As per norms, the State Governments are expected to provide primary schooling facilities to the habitation with a population of 300 or more within a distance of one kilometre.